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Future Logistics Delivery



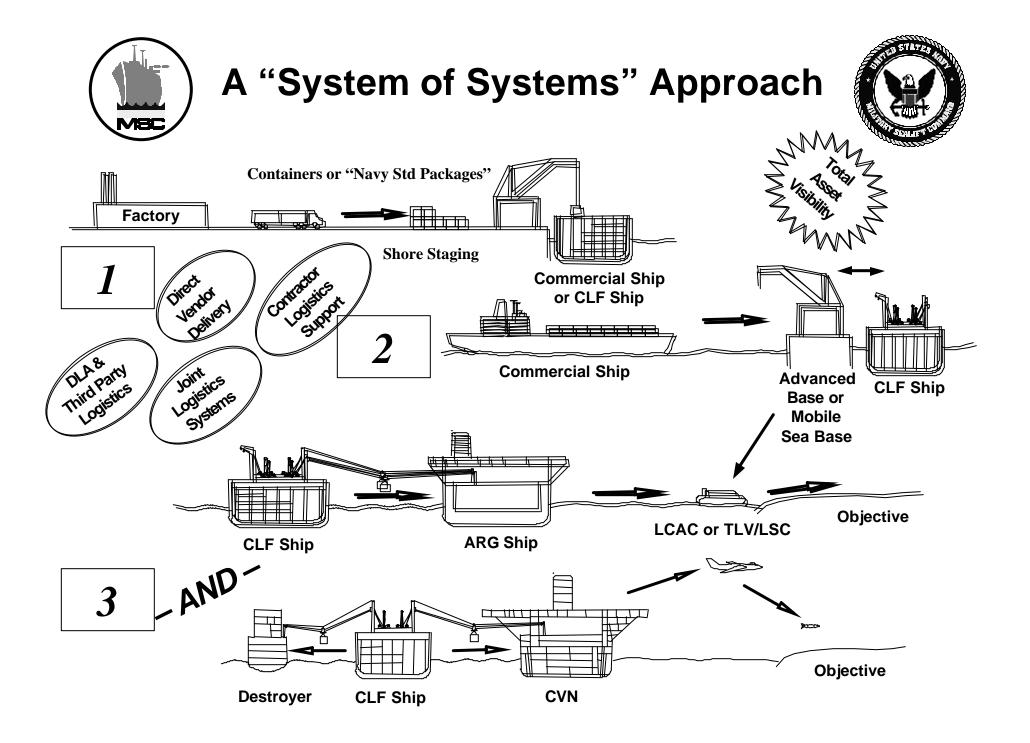
- Must meet requirements
- Must support the Fleet
- May be owned or chartered
- Must be interoperable



Operational Logistics The Way It Is



- Material Distribution Issues:
 - Manpower intensive
 - 1960s technology
 - Non-standard systems
 - Material handling/ordnance
 - Underway replenishment
 - Packaging (cube/weight/unit issue)





Future Needs



- Transshipment facility
- Speed
- Air and surface delivery
- Interaction with commercial cargo ships
- Dynamic positioning



Commercial Off-The-Shelf



- Affordable no up-front construction costs
- Faster initial operating capability
- Leverages industry R&D and maintenance



Key R&D Needs



- Better shipboard cranes
- Efficient modular lighterage system
- Updated petroleum distribution system

Sea State Three = Real Challenge



Unrep Technology





Single Pallet Transfer (Yesterday)

QUADCON Transfer (Today)

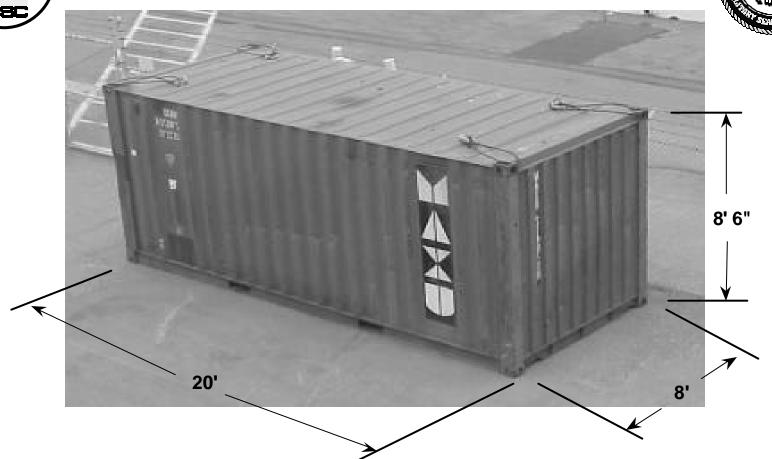


20¢ Container Transfer (Tomorrow)





Commercial 20 ft. ISO Container



20 ft ISO Container:

MAX Gross Wt. = 52,910 MAX Net Wt. = 47,928 #



U.S. Army CROP (Container Roll-In/Out Platform)





The CROP fits into a single ISO container



The CROP can be loaded quickly



The CROP can be moved where wanted



The CROP can be stacked for retrograde

Single CROP Size: 19' 5

19' 5" x 7' 7" x 10"

MAX Gross Wt. = 36,250 #

MAX Net Wt. = 32,570 #



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